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BY-LAWS
OF THE
ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE PACIFIC.

(Adopted February 7, 1889.)

ARTICLE I.

This Society shall be styled the ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE PACIFIC. Its object shall be to advance the Science of Astronomy, and to diffuse information concerning it.

ARTICLE II.

This Society shall consist of Active, Life, Corresponding and Honorary members.

1. Active members shall consist of persons who shall have been elected to membership, and shall have paid their dues as hereinafter provided.

2. Life members shall consist of persons who shall have been elected to life membership and shall have paid \$50 (fifty dollars) to the Treasurer of the Society.

3. Corresponding members shall consist of persons not residing on the Pacific Coast, who shall have been elected by the Society as such.

4. Honorary members shall consist of persons specially distinguished for their attainments in Astronomy, who shall have been elected to honorary membership.

Corresponding and Honorary members shall pay no dues, shall not be eligible to office, and shall have no votes.

ARTICLE III.

At each annual election there shall be elected a Board of eleven Directors, and a Committee on Publication consisting of three members. The officers of this Society shall be a President, three Vice-

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Presidents, two Secretaries and a Treasurer. The Directors shall organize immediately after their election and elect from their number the officers of the Society. They may also appoint a Librarian, and such other assistants as may be required.

The Library of the Society shall be kept in San Francisco, and shall be open to the use of all the members.

ARTICLE IV.

The President, or, in his absence, one of the three Vice-Presidents, or, in the absence of both the President and the Vice-Presidents, any member whom the Society may appoint shall preside at the meetings of the Society. It shall be the duty of the President to preserve order, to regulate the proceedings of the meetings, and to have a general supervision of the affairs of the Society.

ARTICLE V.

The Secretaries shall keep and have the custody of the records; they shall have the custody of all other property of the Society, excepting the money thereof; they shall give timely notice of the time and place of meetings; they shall keep in books a neat and accurate record of all orders and proceedings of the Society, and properly index them; they shall conduct the correspondence of the Society; they shall preserve and index the originals of all communications addressed to the Society; and keep a copy of all their letters, properly indexed; and they shall prepare for publication an accurate summary of the transactions of the Society at each of its meetings.

ARTICLE VI.

The Treasurer shall receive and deposit in such bank as may be designated by the Directors, to the credit of the Society, all donations and bequests of money and all other sums belonging to the Society. He shall keep an account of all money received and paid by him, and at the annual meeting render a particular statement of the same to the Society. Money shall be paid by him only on the written order of the Finance Committee of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VII.

Candidates for membership may be proposed at any meeting, and voted for at any subsequent meeting. The vote shall be by ballot,

and a majority of the members present shall be required for an election.

ARTICLE VIII.

Each active member shall pay an annual subscription of five dollars, due on the first of January of each year, in advance. Each active member shall, on his election, pay into the Treasury of this Society the sum of five dollars, which shall be in lieu of the annual subscription to the first of January following his election. No one shall be deemed an active member, or receive a diploma, until he has signed the register of members, or accepted his election to membership in writing, and paid his dues for the current year. Any member may be released from annual dues by the payment of fifty dollars at one time, and placed on the roll of life members by the vote of the Board of Directors. Any failure on the part of a member to pay his dues within six months after the time the same shall have become payable, shall be considered equivalent to a resignation.

ARTICLE IX.

The annual meeting of this Society shall be held on the last Saturday in March at eight o'clock P. M., at the rooms of the Society in San Francisco; and bi-monthly meetings shall be held on the last Saturday of each alternate month, for the ordinary transactions and purposes of the Society, as follows:

The meetings for the months of May, July and September shall be held in the Library of the Lick Observatory, Mount Hamilton, at a suitable hour; and the meetings for January, March and November shall be held in the rooms of the Society, in San Francisco, at eight o'clock P. M.

A special meeting may be called by the President, or, in his absence or disability, by one of the Vice-Presidents; or, in the absence or disability of both the President and the Vice-Presidents, by the Secretary, on the written requisition of ten active members; and the object of such meeting shall be stated in the notice by which it is called.

The annual election shall be held on the day of the annual meeting, during such hours as the Directors may appoint.

Only active and life members shall be permitted to vote at any meeting of the Society, and no one shall vote who has not paid all his dues for past and current years.

ARTICLE X.

Ten active or life members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE XI.

No papers or manuscripts shall be published by the Society without the consent of the Directors. Any motion to print an address, or other paper read before the Society, or any other matter belonging to the Society, shall be referred to the Committee on Publication, who shall report to the Directors. The Committee on Publication may make suggestions to the Directors, from time to time, with reference to the publication of such papers as in their judgment should be published by the Society; and this committee shall have the care, direction and supervision of the publication of all papers which the Directors may authorize to have published.

Members of the Society shall receive all the publications of the Society free of charge.

ARTICLE XII.

This Society may, by a vote of the majority of all its active and life members, become a branch of an American Astronomical Society, should one be formed.

ARTICLE XIII.

It shall be the duty of the Directors, in case any circumstances shall arise likely to endanger the harmony, welfare or good order of the Society, to call a special meeting of the Society; and if, at such meeting, after an examination of the charges, and hearing the accused, who shall have personal notice of such proceedings, it shall be proposed that the offending member or members shall be expelled, a vote by ballot shall be taken, and if two-thirds of the members present vote in favor thereof, the offending member or members shall be expelled.

ARTICLE XIV.

The Directors shall meet one hour before the stated time of each bi-monthly meeting, and at such other times as they may appoint. The President, or in his absence, any one of the Vice-Presidents, may call special meetings of the Board of Directors at any time. Notice of the time and place of such meeting shall be given by the

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Secretaries, by depositing in the postoffice at San Francisco, a notice of the time and place, addressed to each Director personally, at his last known place of residence, with the postage thereon prepaid, six days before the time of meeting.

ARTICLE XV.

The By-Laws may be amended at any time by a consenting vote of nine members of the Board of Directors at any regular meeting thereof.

